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**RESPONSE TO APRIL 21, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004. The original period of response to the Office Action is a statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date of the Office Action. Included herein is a petition and fee for a two-month extension of time. This response is timely filed if filed on or before July 21, 2004, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.10. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-0019. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.